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**SH BUREAU
CHOSE OFFICERS**

Members of the Boston Fish Bureau yesterday observed the fortieth anniversary of the organization with a luncheon in the administration building on the new fish pier in South Boston.

Lehman Pickert, who was present at the first meeting of the bureau, was one of the speakers. He said that Boston capital is interested in a fish pier which is to be established on the coast of North or South Carolina, and in this connection reminded those present of the possibilities of extending the fish business of Boston. In the South, he said, sixty per cent of the fish caught is frozen for shipment to distant points, whereas in Boston only a comparatively small proportion of the catch is so treated.

The annual meeting of the bureau was held after the luncheon and these officers were elected: George E. Willey, president; John Burns, Jr., vice president; Lewis H. Lee, treasurer and F. P. Dimick, secretary.

Capt. Henry M. Atwood and William F. Moore of this city attended the meeting.

Steamer to Fogo.

The steamer Sagona sailed from St. John's last week for the purpose of cutting out four vessels laden with fish, shipped by Earle's firm at Fogo and Change Islands for conveyance to Hickman's firm in this city, who has purchased all this fish and proposes to ship it to Brazil where the market at present is said to be better than ever in the history of the trade. Mercantile fish now being worth 2 pound, 10. sterling per quintal and a demand for 25,000 qtls. In sight which can only be partly filled with the visible supply of right quantity of fish in this colony. So important is it, it is said, for these vessels to be cut out, that Crosbie's firm is being paid \$250 a day for the Sagona, which is undertaking to free them; and it is hoped in the interests of all concerned that she may be successful.—St. John's, N. E., paper.

**SCH. GEORGIA IS
HOME FROM SOUTH**

Sch. Georgia, Capt. John G. Streams, which left here November 7 to engage in the southern snapper fishery returned home during Tuesday night, having found that branch of the fishery unprofitable.

The Georgia was under contract it is understood to supply one of the firms at Gulfport, Miss., but when Capt. Stream landed his first catch, he was unable to secure the price agreed to. After sizing up the situation and looking over conditions, Capt. Stream could figure but little profit in the venture and decided to come home.

The Georgia will later resume halibut again, in which branch of the fishery, she has been quite successful.

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**HAD GOOD WEEK
AT PENSACOLA**

The week ending December 27 was a fairly good one for the fishing companies and the fishing crafts, for while no exceedingly large catches were made, they were, on an average, very good for this time of the year, the total catch being 230,599 pounds, of which 190,514 pounds were red snapper and 40,085 pounds grouper. Fifteen vessels in all came into port, the average catch of red snapper and grouper being 15,393 pounds. The average catch of red snapper was 12,700 pounds, while that of grouper was 2,863 pounds. The largest single trip was 28,220 pounds, of which 21,160 pounds were red snapper and 7,060 pounds grouper. The smallest single trip was 6,660 pounds, of which 5,635 pounds were red snapper, and 1,025 pounds grouper.

Of the 15 vessels that arrived nine came to E. E. Saunders & Co., the total weight of fish to that company being 126,154 pounds, of which 108,989 pounds were red snapper, and 17,165 pounds grouper. The largest single fare of a Saunders vessel was 27,350 pounds of which 22,570 pounds were red snapper and 4,780 pounds grouper.

The six vessels coming to the Warren Fish Co. had a combined catch of 104,445 pounds, of which \$1,525 pounds were red snapper and 22,920 pounds grouper. The largest fare of a Warren boat was 28,220 pounds.

Following are the vessels' names and weights of fish landed:

E. E. Saunders & Co.—Albert Geiger, 11,200 snappers, 1,565 groupers; Cavalier, 22,505 snappers; Ida S. Brooks, 8,240 snappers, 1,800 groupers; Lettie G. Howard, 9,510 snappers, 2,495 groupers; John M. Keene, 12,290 snappers, 2,925 groupers; Lottie A. Haskins, 9,065 snappers, 1,975 groupers; Favorite, 7,620 snappers, 440 groupers; Maud F. Silva, 22,570 snappers, 4,780 groupers; Wallace A. McDonald, 5,989 snappers, 1,185 groupers.

Warren Fish Co.—Silas Stearns, 7,940 snappers, 4,755 groupers; Chicopee, 12,395 snappers, 3,730 groupers; C. H. Colt, 12,395 snappers, 4,500 groupers; William A. Morse 21,160 snappers, 7,060 groupers; Osceola, 5,635 snappers, 1,025 groupers; Rena A. Percy, 22,000 snappers, 1,850 groupers.

**SENECA TO GO
ON ICE PATROL**

The revenue cutter Seneca, will go to the Brooklyn Naval yard to fit out for duty on the ice patrol on the Newfoundland banks. The revenue cutter Miami, it is said will co-operate with the Seneca this year as during the past two seasons.

The Seneca at present is acting as guard ship in the New York Narrows enforcing the neutrality laws. Under present arrangements all vessels which have cleared properly at the Customs House, in other words, vessels which have received clearance papers, are

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reported to the Seneca, and such vessels on proceeding down the upper New York harbor are required to show their signal numbers as they approach the Narrows. The Seneca on verifying the number signalled with the name of the ship as furnished by the Custom House, signals "Proceed."

Two torpedo boat destroyers of the navy now are doing duty jointly with the Seneca. One destroyer lies off Gravesend Bay. An attempt to push by the guard ship would be met promptly by pursuit from the destroyers, which lie with steam up.

The Seneca, it is understood, will use Halifax as a base this year the same as during last season and the ice patrol is expected to continue from early in February to the last of June.

Under international arrangement the expense of the ice patrol is borne by the several European nations having steamship lines plying between Europe and the United States, and the United States Government undertakes to furnish the necessary vessels. Germany has borne part of the expense heretofore, it is said, but it is not known what action the German authorities will take in view of the war conditions. It was intended that the Seneca should take permanent station at Halifax and the Miami at the Azores, but the arrangement was suspended last fall, it is said, in consequence of the war.

Big Load of Fish.

The S. S. Aspy arrived in Sydney Monday with a big load of fish from the north for the eastern state market. There are said to be about seven cars of this sea product ready for immediate delivery.

Wants Lobster Station.

Representative Hinds of Maine has returned to Congress from the house committee on fisheries a favorable report on the bill for a lobster rearing station. It will be on the Maine coast. An appropriation of \$35,000 is asked.

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Portland Fish Notes.

Although the sch. Hockomock arrived in Portland harbor Wednesday with 14,000 pounds of mixed fish in her holds, the local fish dealers along the waterfront did not benefit thereby, as Capt. Smith did not deem it expedient to sell his fish then. He preferred to wait until yesterday morning, thinking that he would get more for the schooner's fare. The only other arrival Wednesday was the sch. Dixie with about 5000. The majority of the local fishing fleet sailed for the banks Wednesday, but some of them returned, stating that there was a heavy wind blowing outside.

Catching Lemon Sole.

The flounder dredgers at Provincetown have been taking some lemon sole recently. Capt. Andrew Mead landed 15 barrels one day recently and 12 barrels another day, and Capt. Patrick Shea, 20 barrels in one day.

Bringing Herring.

S. Assurance from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a cargo of herring, cleared from Lunenburg, N. S., for Gloucester Tuesday.

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**DULL MUSIC AT
NEW FISH PIER**

The "big noise" at the Boston fish pier this morning was sch. Laverna with a 123,000 pound fare. Other arrivals were schs. Frances J. O'Hara, Jr., 29,000 pounds fresh fish and 1000 pounds halibut; Virginia, 38,000 pounds; Robert and Arthur, 34,000 pounds; Reading, 23,000 pounds.

The beam trawlers Ripple and Spray were also in, each having small fares.

Wholesalers paid \$1.75 to \$3.25 a hundred pounds for haddock, \$3 for large and \$1.75 to \$2 for market cod, \$2 to \$4 for hake and \$2 to \$2.25 for pollock.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Virginia, 35,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Str. Ripple, 20,000 haddock, 2800 cod.

Str. Spray, 20,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Francis J. O. Hara, Jr., 16,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 1000 halibut.

Sch. Laverna, 8000 haddock, 115,000 cod.

Sch. Robert and Arthur, 16,000 haddock, 18,000 cod.

Sch. Matthew S. Greer, 9000 haddock, 2500 cod, 1500 pollock.

Sch. Reading, 20,000 haddock, 3300 cod.

Haddock, \$1.75 to \$3.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2; hake, \$2 to \$4; pollock, \$2 to \$2.25.

**11 OF HERRING
FLEET TO COME**

Eleven more of the Newfoundland herring fleet remain to come. Six of them are on their first trip, while the other five are on the second trip. Due from the first trip are schs. hemia, Oriole, Senator Gardner, nes, Clintonia and British scho. Artisan. Those on the second trip schs. Athlete, J. J. Flaherty, Max Elliott, Arkona and Aloha.

Newfoundland herring receipts this port to date are 3635 barrels pickled herring, 32,322 barrels of bulk herring and 3605 barrels and 30,000 pounds of frozen herring.

The herring fleet, comprising 12 vessels, was awaiting yesterday at B of Islands the first favorable wind to leave the North Arm. The herring continue to run plentifully, but although some of the schooners are only partly loaded, they do not care to run the risk of being caught by the heavy ice in the Gulf of St. Lawrence by remaining in the bay any longer. A heavy ice pack was reported yesterday from Parsons Pond to be moving west.

OLD T WHARF TO REOPEN ON FEB. 1

Heads of Producers Fish Exchange Made the Announcement Here Yesterday —Many Local Skippers Seem Partial to Old Pier.

Old T wharf at Boston, which was abandoned last spring when the fresh business moved to the new pier at South Boston will resume February 1. According to the promoters of Producers' Fish Exchange which handle the affairs of the new market, some 10 stalls will be occupied at the start, while others are contemplating opening up at the wharf.

Representatives of the new con-

cern came here yesterday afternoon and addressed members of the Master Mariners' Association on the matter.

A canvass of the fishing captains shows that a large number are partial to T wharf and would like to return. They will do all they can to encourage dealers to locate there they say and all who want stands can have them.

The new concern is capitalized for \$50,000 and the promoters say that the outlook is most encouraging.

NOT A VESSEL IN HERE TODAY

Not an arrival was reported here up to noon today. Several of the Newfoundland herring fleet on their way are due most any time, however, there being a dozen crafts to come.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

No arrivals today.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3. Georges halibut codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.25. Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4; snappers, \$3. Cusk, large, \$3; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50. Hake, \$1.80. Haddock, \$1.75. Pollock, \$1.75. Newfoundland herring, \$3.25 per bbl. for salt bulk. \$4.25 per bbl. for pickled.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt. Western cod, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2.10; snappers, 75c. Eastern cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.95; snappers, 75c. All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above. Hake, \$1.40. Cusk, large, \$1.80; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50c. Pollock, round, 80c; dressed, 90c. Fresh halibut, 17c for white and 9c for gray.

Newfoundland frozen herring, 3c per

MCINNIS MAKES BIG COD CATCH

With the banner fare of the season, sch. Laverna, Capt. John McInnis was at the Boston fish pier this morning, hailing for the monster trip of 123,000 pounds of fresh fish of which 115,000 pounds are codfish.

It was December 30, 1913, it will be remembered, Capt. McInnis landed a similar trip at Boston, his hail at that time being for 126,000 pounds. While entering Boston harbor, the craft went aground, but was later pulled off.

On account of it being Friday and the extra dullness of the market, Capt. McInnis did not open up his hatches, but left for this port, where he will discharge his fare.

Endorses the Androscoggin.

The hospital ship for off-shore fishermen has at last been established by the United States Government. The revenue cutter Androscoggin has left to cruise among the haddocking fleet off the Cape Shore and will follow the fleets to Quero and Grand Bank as the seasons come on. The Androscoggin is a fine craft and has been specially fitted up with hospital accommodation. Her work will be largely beneficial to men suffering from minor injuries and diseases. A really sick man would have to be sent ashore. The work is highly commendable and we heartily endorse it.—Canadian Fisherman.

MCINNIS BRINGS DOWN BIG TRIP

Noted Cod Catcher Hails for 135,000 Pounds of Fresh Fish.

The British sch. Assurance arrived this morning from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a cargo of salt and pickled herring. She has 1600 barrels salt bulk and 275 barrels pickled, consigned to Lincoln Willey & Company of Boston.

Sch. Laverna, Capt. John McInnis, brought down her fresh fare from Boston. Capt. McInnis has 135,000 pounds, 20,000 pounds more than he was credited in his hail yesterday. Other arrivals are schs. Arethusa, Capt. Clayton Morrissey, with 60,000 pounds fresh fish; sch. Frances J. O'Hara, Jr., from Boston, 40,000 pounds and Eugenia, via Portland.

Gill netting receipts yesterday totalled about 25,000 pounds, running about 60 per cent. codfish and the remainder haddock, pollock and hake.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

British sch. Assurance, Bay of Islands, N. F., 1600 bbls. salt herring, 275 bbls. pickled herring.

Sch. Laverna, via Boston, 135,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Arethusa, Brown's Bank, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Eugenia, via Portland.

Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Ethel, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Sawyer, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Jui'a May, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Quartette, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Little Fannie, gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Ralph Brown, haddocking.

Sch. Elvin L. Spurling, haddocking.

Sch. Jeanette, haddocking.

Sch. Jorgina, haddocking.

Sch. Actor, haddocking.

Sch. Emily Sears, haddocking.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, haddocking.

Sch. Mary P. Goulart, haddocking.

Sch. Alice, haddocking.

Sch. Adeline, haddocking.

Sch. Ethel B. Penny, haddocking.

Sch. Harriett, haddocking.

Sch. Mary F. Sears, haddocking.

Sch. Edith Silveria, haddocking.

Sch. Russell, haddocking.

Sch. Leonora Silveira, haddocking.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, haddocking.

Sch. Stranger, haddocking.

Sch. Teazer, halibuting.

British sch. Marjorie Backman, Lunenburg, N. S.

Have Full Cargoes.

Schs. Maxine Elliott and Athlete sailed from Bay of Islands for this port, Tuesday, with full cargoes of frozen herring.

CONDITIONS ON SALT MACKEREL

The Fishing Gazette says: The bountiful stocks of domestic mackerel are now held in reserve, unusual at this time of year. It will be several weeks hence ere this commodity will become a factor, so far as activity in trading is concerned.

"The mackerel business is up to average for this season of the year. The real business will start when the Lenten season starts in about two weeks, or to be strictly accurate, a little before Lent, because the wholesalers must have a little time to prepare for the demand. We hear complaints about this business, but our business for December this year will go on at that month in last year, and with some of the West Indies market out of the running," said the executive of one of New York's leading fish houses last Wednesday.

Shipments of salt mackerel from Ireland last week were quite heavy, totaling 3,348 bbls., of which 438 bbls. are for New York.

Irish mackerel statistics—Mackerel landed on the coasts of Ireland for November, 1914, 11,332 bbls., value \$44,125; same month the previous year, 2,711 bbls., value \$14,285.

"I think that the foreign mackerel market will improve after the first of the year. There is absolutely nothing doing at present. The market is—You can't hang mackerel on Christmas trees you know," said one of New York's most eminent authorities last Wednesday. He meant, course, that mackerel was not a commodity that enjoyed a holiday demand; that it, in fact, was completely ignored and lost sight of during holiday season.

WASHED INTO SEA--RESCUE

Among the fishing vessels arrived Thursday at Portland all of whom reported rough weather outside, was sch. Topsail Girl, which brought a fare of 14,000 pounds mixed fish. The schooner came in minus her mainmast, which was carried away by a rolling about in a heavy sea. The crew, William Johnson of Portland, also rolled overboard about the same time and was in the water a while before he was rescued. Johnson is a swimmer and is perfectly at home in the water. On another trip, some time ago, his father fell or was rolled overboard from the fishing craft, being unable to swim would quickly drowned had not he jumped after him and kept him afloat until the schooner put about as far as possible, they having been in the water for nearly an hour when rescued.

Another fishing arrivals Thursday was the Gloucester schooner, returning from a three-day cruise on Brown's Bank, she had for 2000 pounds of halibut and for 27,000 pounds of salt and frozen fish. The skipper reports very rough weather on the banks, finding halibut extremely scarce.